ISRRT meets Africa

(International Society of Radiographers and Radiation Technologists)

EM 5 (Slot 12): Friday, March 1, 2019/16:00-17:30

Programme:

Categories: General Radiography (Radiographers), Education, Management/Leadership, Professional issues

Radiographer’s challenges offering imaging services in Africa

Chairpersons’ introduction (8 min): Donna Newman; Fargo, ND/US (ISRRT President)
Philippe Gerson; Paris/FR (ISRRT Treasurer)

Session objectives:
1. To recognise the demographics and patient accessibility to health services of a particular African country.
2. To understand the infrastructure of the imaging health services and their contribution to the primary and hospital health services to sustain the population and individual health.
3. To appreciate the radiographer’s effort to keep up to date with evidence-based practice in imaging services.
4. To become familiar with the radiology education system and lifelong learning opportunities for radiographers practicing in Africa.

Nigeria. Health care services in Nigeria: the radiographer’s opportunities and challenges (18 min)
Elisabeth Olasunkanmi Balogun; Lagos/NG
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3. To appreciate the radiographers’ effort to keep up to date with evidence-based practice in imaging services.
4. To become familiar with the radiography education system and lifelong learning opportunities for radiographers practicing in Nigeria and its environs.
5. To look at the challenges of team work/professional rivalry/nomenclature even in the face of infrastructural challenges.

South Africa. The South African radiographer: button pusher or creative thinker? (18 min)
Hesta Friedrich-Nel; Bloemfontein/ZA
1. To learn about the radiography education models in South Africa.
2. To become familiar with continuing education requirements and registration.
3. To share the revised scope of practice

Cote d’Ivoire. Professional practice of radiology and imaging in Africa: radiographers for more commitment and responsibility in patients’ safety (18 min)
Kouame Boniface Yao; Abidjan/CI
1. To reveal the challenges faced by African radiographers in practicing their profession.
2. To learn about the different actions carried out by radiographers for radiographers within Africa, in seeking for alternatively affordable means of practicing their profession.
3. To appreciate the ISRRT’s initiatives and capacity building projects to provide sustainable support to radiographers in Africa.
4. To understand the clues set up by ISRRT regional officers’ to improve patient care.

Kenya. Discovering Kenyan radiographers: past, present and future (18 min)
Catherine Muchuki; Nairobi/KE
1. To understand the current situation and trend of radiographers in Kenya.
2. To understand the Kenyan health system.
3. To become familiar with Kenyan radiation safety issues; Afro safe Kenyan chapter.